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IDOT Funds Massive Safety Project in Chicago *\$10 million project to enhance safety, accessibility on 860 ramps*

CHICAGO – The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) announced today the letting of an important safety improvement project in the south side of Chicago that will reconstruct more than 860 ramps to make them compliant with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards, a major overhaul that will enhance safety and accessibility in the city.

“This project is a crucial step toward IDOT’s vision of creating a truly multi-modal transportation system accessible to all,” said Illinois Transportation Secretary Randy Blankenhorn. “We look forward to continuing our partnership with the City of Chicago to provide safe and comfortable pedestrian facilities to everyone, especially our most vulnerable residents.”

The \$7 million in state funds will provide equal opportunities for residents with disabilities and make it easier for them to access their daily needs. It will build connections between neighborhoods and deliver safer links to other modes of transportation like trains and buses.

Construction will take place in the spring at more than 860 ramp locations and 360 intersections in the south side of Chicago, totaling more than 34 miles of sidewalk improvements. The scope of the project includes removal and replacement of sidewalk, curb and gutter. The project also includes resurfacing, landscape restoration and new pavement markings.

Click [here](#) to find details on other construction projects in IDOT’s District 1. Updates on the impacts to traffic are available at www.travelmidwest.com

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